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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Pittsburgh, PA 15222-2312 September 4, 2007

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Sir:

This is a Response to the Office Action for the above reference application mailed June 4, 2007, having a three-month shortened statutory period to respond that ends September 4, 2007. In response, the Applicants submit the following remarks.

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